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SUBJECT: KHMER AT UNGA: EFFECT OF A CAMBODIAN SETTLEMENT ON
WORLD RICE DISTRIBUTION

1. IN ADDITION TO THE NUMEROUS ARGUMENTS WHICH HAVE ALREADY
BEEN DEVELOPED IN FAVOR OF THE ASEAN RESOLUTION, AND THE
NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT OF THE KHMER PROBLEM WHICH IT ADVOCATES,
THERE IS ANOTHER ASPECT OF THE CAMBODIAN WAR WHICH SEEMS
PERTINENT TO US.

2. IN RECENT YEARS THE UNITED
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STATES HAS PROVIDED AS MUCH

AS 300,000 TONS OF RICE A YEAR TO FEED THE PEOPLE OF THE KHMER REPUBLIC, RICE WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE HAVE BEEN USED TO HELP OTHER FOOD-DEFICIT COUNTRIES (SOME OF WHICH OPPOSE THE ASEAN RESOLUTION).

3. IN THE EVENT OF AN EARLY NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT IT MIGHT BE EXPECTED THAT NOT ONLY WOULD THIS RATHER LARGE INJECTION OF US FOOD ASSISTANCE INTO THE CAMBODIAN ECONOMY NO LONGER BE NECESSARY, BUT THAT NORMALLY HIGHLY PRODUCTIVE CAMBODIA MIGHT VERY SOON RESUME ITS ACCUSTOMED ROLE AS A SURPLUS PRODUCING, RICE-EXPORTING COUNTRY. AS RECENTLY AS FOUR YEARS AGO, CAMBODIA WAS EXPORTING APPROXIMATELY 250,000 TONS OF RICE A YEAR. THEREFORE, THE TOTAL SWING EFFECT ON WORLD RICE AVAILABILITY MIGHT BE OF THE ORDER OF A HALF MILLION OR MORE METRIC TONS.

4. WHILE WE LEAVE IT TO THE DEPARTMENT AND USUN TO DECIDE WHETHER THIS ARGUMENT MIGHT BE USEFUL IN DISCUSSIONS OF THE KHMER QUESTION, IT IS ONE ADDITIONAL EXAMPLE OF HOW AN EARLY PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF THIS CONFLICT, SUCH AS IS CALLED FOR BY THE ASEAN RESOLUTION, COULD HAVE BENEFICIAL EFFECTS FOR OTHER NATIONS FAR REMOVED FROM SOUTHEAST ASIA.

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